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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

William J. Curatolo, et al.

APPLICATION NO.: 09/803,628

FILING DATE: March 9, 2001

TITLE: Controlled-Release Dosage Forms of
AzithromycinAssistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Examiner: R. DeWitty

Group Art Unit: 1616

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on March 26, 2002, and having an original period for response of 3 months, which was set to expire on June 26, 2002, be extended by 3 months, such that it expires on September 26, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$920.00 as provided for under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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